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Sheriff.—Roswell Sartwell, Smethport.
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Ass't Burgess.—H. S. Sartwell.
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Judge Ketcham's Successor.

The sudden death of Judge Ketcham, of the United States District Court for Western Pennsylvania, creates a vacancy to be filled by appointment of the President. Col. McClure telegraphs from Washington to his paper, the Philadelphia *Times*, that "there will "be a number of names presented, but a "very general concentration of the Con-"gressmen of the Western Judicial Dis-"trict in favor of Judge Williams, of "Tioga, is quite probable. This would "give Williams well-deserved promotion "and make ex-Senator Strang the suc-"cessor to Williams on the Common "Pleas." Among the number of names that may be presented there can be none more deserving of the promotion and whose appointment would do more honor to the bench and be more satisfactory to those whose wishes and interests should be respected than that of Judge Williams. As is intimated in an article copied from the *Times* elsewhere, the President has taken pleasure in ignoring the wishes of those by whom he should have been advised in respect to appointments in this State. The appointment of Judge Williams to this position will be asked by almost the entire Congressional delegation and the better element of the party throughout the western and northwestern portions of the State, and the President can perform a graceful act in the way of conciliating his friends by making the appointment.

McClure very kindly names Judge Williams' successor in case he should receive the promotion. He is by far too kind. We have nothing to say against ex-Senator Strang—provided the vacancy is filled from Tioga county. Since McKean now supplies so large a portion of the legal business of the district her people may put in a voice as to the filling of the vacancy. We have plenty of good, sound Judge timber.

WHEN the crime of murder is abolished then it will be time to talk about abolishing capital punishment—and not before.

COLONEL C. J. ARMS has received the high honor of being appointed orator of the day on the occasion of Gen. Grant's reception at Philadelphia. He is a young man of great activity and energy, and on the rostrum is eloquent and entertaining.

THE Secretary of the Treasury is prepared to buy up one million dollars of the six per cent. bonds due in 1881 and put them away where they will be heard of no more. Instead of replacing them with four per cents. and thus saving two per cent. per annum, he proposes to buy them out altogether with lawful money and thus save the whole six per cent—once for all. Sixty thousand dollars a year is worth saving.—Cleveland *Herald*.

SENATOR WALLACE, it is said, will insist upon the appointment of J. Simpson Africa as census supervisor for the district to which Clearfield county is attached. There is only $500 in the office of supervisor, but staticians are wanted, and as Mr. Africa is supposed to have learned all about statistics when he was in the department of internal affairs at Harrisburg, it is probable that he will be appointed. The senator had a son appointed to a clerkship the *other* day which is said to be the last member of his family that was not drawing pay from the government. The Senator evidently believes in making "hay while the sun shines."—Williamsport *Gazette*.

CONGRESSMAN De La Matyr, who holds the balance of power in the Indiana delegation and who would be able to elect a Republican President, in case the next election were to thrown into the House, makes a statement which is not calculated to please the Democrats. He assures the Washington correspondent of the Cincinnati *Commercial* that in politics he is a Republican, though he is not in sympathy with the party in all its issues. "I voted for President Hayes," he says "and if the choice lay between Hayes and Tilden I should do so again." That is not the kind of talk which will encourage the Democrats to throw the election into the House. The result will be too much like a repetition of the Electoral Tribunal disappointment.

THE DEATH of Judge Ketcham, who has for several years so ably occupied the bench as United States Judge for the Western district of this State, leaves a vacancy which the President will have to fill by appointment. Although the vacancy was not announced till yesterday the general quiet of Sunday did not prevent considerable agitation among Pennsylvanians at Washington concerning a successor. The eccentric treatment which the Republican delegation in Congress from this State has received at hands of President Hayes, when appointments were in question, seems to have thrown our statesmen into confusion. They are anxious to express an opinion about who should be appointed, and would very generally agree upon recommending Judge Williams, of Tioga county, were they not afraid that any suggestion of this kind might prejudice the chances of their favorite. The President has before asked the opinions of Pennsylvania Republicans only to put them aside and offer a surprise in the appointment of some one not suspected of being in the way of receiving office. President Hayes, however, would make no mistake in the appointment of Judge Williams. He would not only secure a most capable and upright Judge, but he would succeed in pleasing more than those who are in sympathy with the machine of the dominant party.—Philadelphia *Times*.

Immidiate Shipment.

It is generally understood that the United Line runs all the oil produced except a few thousand barrels daily, which the Tidewater, the only opposition line worthy of note, receives. The United claims that the daily yield of the northern field is nearly 50,000 barrels per day. Say, for illustration, that it is but 44,000, and of this amount the outside lines take 4,000 barrels per day. Oil in the general market brings $1 25 per barrel, but the producer is compelled, by the United Lines refusing to run his oil on other grounds, to sell his product as immediate shipment for $1, thus leaving a margin for the buyer, who is himself a director of the "United," of 25 cents per barrel—on 4,000 barrels, a nice profit of $10,000 per day. Ah, but some deluded producer says "no, that is not so. I will sell no oil less than the market price, I have iron tankage." True, but who in the abstract owns the tankage he has erected, and how much does it cost him? It now costs 30 to 35 cents to build iron storage, and before the United will attach or run a drop of oil from the producer's wells, though he may be possessed of a hundred thousand barrels of tankage, he must first "transfer all his right, title, claim and interest in and to the tankage to the United Pide Lines aforesaid." Then who is the greatest loser, the man who builds the tankage, or the man who sells oil as shipment? The former, of course, for, by virtue of his agreement with the line, he has turned his storage over to their use, never to possess it again as *long as it is required for the purpose* named in the agreement. Of course, when it becomes useless to either party, as illustrated by the many instances in the lower oil field at present, the producer can, without a doubt, lay claim to the receptacle and repossess it.

Therefore, if it costs him thirty-five cents to erect tankage and he sells his spot oil at $1 25, he falls ten cents short in total receipts of the producer who *acquiesces in the other "grind,"* immediate shipment, and sells for $1.00 a barrel. Now we have a conundrum to offer: How in the name of the great Goddess of Liberty *can it* be that the United Pipe Line can run 40,000 barrels of oil from the wells when *it is* sold at ninety cents and $1 a barrel and find it utterly *impossible to* run a barrel when sold at the market price? Somebody please hurry up a solution.—Pittsburgh *Telegraph*.

AND NOW comes the Hon. R. Milton Speer, a Pennsylvania ex-Congressman, who seems also to have been searching the Scriptures in the retirement of private life and the fastness of the interior; and he, bounding into Philadelphia like a uncondoning Beebe denouncing Fraud, says they must put up a brazen serpent —not for President, nor literally, but figuratively, after the manner of Moses. Says he, in the ear of a reporter: "As Moses "lifted up a brazen serpent for the chil-"dren of Israel gather round, so must we "erect our standard for the Democracy "of Pennsylvania to rally about." Now Speer has evidently forgotten that they tried the brazen-serpent business once before, during the War—"copperhead," they called it—and it did them no good whatever. This time, however, he proposes to call General Hancock a brazen serpent, and lift him up and rally around him. He makes the proposition to a number of "Democratic "chiefs" in Pennsylvania, who have been conferring upon the best *means* for uniting the Democratic party in opposition to Tilden's renomination. Now General Hancock is an able man and a handsome man, but he has been growing corpulent lately, and he would not make a graceful or becoming appearance on a pole in the character of a serpent of brass. Any one could tell Mr. Speer means to have him literally hoisted up. But Mr. Tilden has been so often called a "snake in the grass" by the gentlemen who voted for him in 1876, that Mr. Speer, fresh from his readings of Israelitish history, dropped quite naturally to the Mosaic treatment for snake bites, and proposed to cure Tildenism by putting up Hancock in brass as the antidote. Now all this additional testimony to the fact which *The Tribune* has heretofore called attention to, to wit, that defeat has made the Democrats uncommonly devout. They go out of Congress and commence searching the Scriptures. And they continually find historic parables for their own career in the narative of the wanderings of the chosen people.

But before they put up Hancock or anybody else as a serpent of brass, we beg them to consider the risk they run. There are Democrats, a great many of them, to whom the snake as an emblem suggests too much. It is related that a San Fransisco barkeeper who had been presented with a pickled snake in a bottle, set it up as a curiosity behind the bar. The first customer who came in for his "eye-opener," next morning drank half his cock-tail, when, his eye lighting on the curiosity, he set down his glass and fled. The next followed suit, and the next and the next, and not one of them returned. The bar was deserted and the trade ruined. Toward night a stranger came in, took a drink, and paid *for it* before he saw the curiosity. As his eye fell on it he uttered a profane ejaculation and started for the door. "Look here!" said the barkeeper, "I'll just give you a dollar to tell me what's the matter. This thing's been going on just so all day, and I'm losing all my trade." "Oh, nothings the matter," said the stranger, only yours is the first whiskey I ever struck that made me see snakes with the first drink." The barkeeper saw the point, and was not long in breaking up the museum. This only shows that there's great uncertainty about snakes. Mr. Speer and his friends would do well to make sure as to the effect upon the Democratic imagination before he puts up his serpent. —*Tribune*.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

In Roman Catholic theology no Saint's day or festival is invested with more glory and fervid veneration than those which are devoted to the memory and the work of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Mother of Christ. The feast of the Immaculate Conception, on Monday celebrated throughout the Christian world, is one of the festivals of the Roman Catholic Church, in connection with which a long controversy prevailed. These controversies inside the Church were always conducted in a rude and violent, though frequently scholarly manner, and the permanent establishment of many a Saint's Day has cost more than one life, and been the cause of shedding a good many drops of human blood. It is well known that the doctrine of the *immaculate* conception of the Virgin, or her conception without the taint of original sin, was until recently a theological dogma on which the Church of Rome had pronounced no positive decision. The Italian theologians were the first to advocate the doctrine, as they have ever been the foremost in all extreme ideas of Roman Catholic faith. The Dominicans fiercely opposed it, as did several Popes, who pronounced it irrelevant as an article of faith, while other Popes in their turn, declared it to be an article of faith which was neither to be condemned nor absolutely to be *enforced*—thus leaving the point to the church with a free will action thereon, which the Papey was not often disposed to concede to its children, that not having much confidence in the judgment of its adherents. But a few years ago, the question which for centuries had been allowed to remain an upen subject for discussion was determined in the affirmative, by deliverance of Pope Pius IX., the immediate predecessor of Pope Leo. Dec. 8, 1854, the Catholic world was bound to this article of faith, as a Papal bull issued with great solemnity declaring this dogma to be an article of faith, and charging with heresy those who should doubt or speak against it. Pope Paul V., in 1617, forbade any one to stand up against the opinion of the immaculate conception, which order was confirmed by Gregory XV. and by Alexander the VII. The *Conceptionists* were an order of nuns established in Italy in 1488. The order of Pius IX. has rendered the dotrine of the immaculate conception of the Virgin an essential article of the Roman Catholic system of belief.

The Census.

The question of the appointment of the supervisors of the next census is among the prominent topics of discussion in congressional circles. The law provides for the selection of 150 of these officials, and although the salary attached to the position is but $500 a year, and the duties are arduous, there are many considerations which render the office very desirable. The supervisors have the power of selecting all the enumerators in their respective districts, and the opportunity for the exercise of local patronage could hardly be surpassed. The Democrats claim a voice, in naming the supervisors, and as the senate must confirm the nominees, all who are not satisfactory the Democrats will be rejected. General Walker, the superintendent of the census, says that in the selection of supervisors he will be guided solely by the qualifications of the candidates, irrespective of their political affiliations, so that the Democrats will not be afforded the pretext of preventing the taking of the next census, by refecting the President's nominations for supervisors, upon the ground that they are Republican partisans.

The Pennsylvania Sale.

The largest check that was ever passed in a business transaction in Philadelphia was drawn on Thursday by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in favor of the City Treasurer. It was for $2,937,450, and paid for 59,149 shares of the stock of the railroad which has been held as an asset of the city for 37 years. As soon as the general advance in prices had carried the stock up to par, Mayor Stokely became anxious to realize. That step appeared more urgent from the circumstance that nearly half of a $10,000,000 4 per cent. loan by which the city sought to retire securities bearing higher interest, remained unsubscribed. The large block of stock was bid for repeatedly by syndicates of capitalists in other cities, who followed the market, increasing their bids until they reached par. The directors of the railroad then became apprehensive that some of these offers would be accepted and that the stock might pass out of the control of the present managers, possibly to be used in hostility to them. The directors, in a meeting called to consider the matter authorized the purchase of the stock at par. Gen. Collis, representing the New Yorkers already had bid that amount, but the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, with the assent of the Presidents of the Select and Common Councils, closed promptly with the company's offer. The company claims that the amount paid was money earned over and above expenses, and deny that any of it was borrowed for the purpose. The sale has resulted in an advance of the stock to 1 per cent. above par. The city makes a handsome profit on its original subscription. The stock cost $500,000. Dividends of stock, since sold, and of cash amount to nearly $12,500,000, so that after deducting the cost and interest thereon the city realizes a net profit of $6,185,731.

JUDGE HENRY W. WILLIAMS, of Tioga county, and Messrs. McCormick, Fetterman, and Shiras, of Pittsburg, are already announced as candidates for the United States judgship for the Western District of Pennsylvania, made vacant by the death of Judge Ketcham. Judge Williams was lately an unsuccessful candidate for appointment to a vacancy on the Supreme bench of Pennsylvania. He has very high repute as a jurist and great personal popularity.—Buffalo *Express*.

LEGAL.

ESTATE OF O. R. WHEDON, LATE OF Kendall Borough.

Letters of administration upon the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons having claims against the same will present them for payment, and those indebted thereto, will please make immediate payment to

CHARLES WHEDON, Administrator.

Kendall, Oct. 23, 1879.—17 3.

SHERIFF'S SALES.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of *Fieri Facias* issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, to me directed, I have levied upon the following described real estate to wit which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House, in the borough of Smethport, on Monday, the 15th day of Dec., A. D. 1879, at one o'clock p.m.

The defendant's right, title and interest in and to all that piece, parcel or tract of land situate in the *village* of Port Allegany, county of McKean and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at a post standing in the centre of the road, forty perches north thirty degrees west from the stone set in the four corners; thence south sixty degrees west 13 1-10 perches to a post; thence north thirty degrees west 12 perches to a post, thence north sixty degrees east 13 1-10 perches to a post in the centre of the road, thence south thirty degrees east 12 perches to the place of beginning, containing one acre and twenty-one square perches, strict measure, be the same more or less, and being part of lot No. 62 of the allotment of lands of Keating & Co. in Liberty township and being part of warrant 1210 and having thereon one good two story framed dwelling house 28x32 with large wing attached, one good horse barn and usual out-buildings, one well of water and about 25 fruit trees and several ornamental trees.

ALSO—All that piece, parcel or tract of land situate in the village of Port Allegany, county of McKean and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit: *Beginning at a post standing south sixty degrees west 74 feet from the stone set in the centre of the four corners*, thence south thirty degrees east 141 feet to a post corner, thence south sixty degrees, west thirty feet to a post corner, thence north thirty degrees west 141 feet to the centre of the road, thence by the centre of the road north sixty degrees east thirty feet to the place of beginning, *containing fifteen and five-tenths* square perches, be the same more or less, and having thereon one store 28x50 feet two story frame, nearly new, the lower floor built for a general store and the second story for the purpose of a *Public Hall*.

ALSO—All that piece, parcel or tract of land situate in Liberty township, county of McKean Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at the north east corner of lot No. 288 contracted to M. S. and A. N. Lillibridge, thence by the north line of lot No. 305 north sixty-six and one-half degrees east 126 and four-tenths perches to the north east corner of said lot No. 305 thence by the west line of lot 289 north two and one-sixth degrees east 131 7-10ths perches to the north west corner of said lot No. 290, thence north eighty-eight degrees west 114 1-10 perches to the northeast corner of lot No. 308, thence by the east line of said lot No. 308 south two and one-sixth degrees west 131 1-10 perches to the place of beginning, containing 113 3-10ths acres, more or less, and being lot No. 304 of the allotment of lands of the Bingham estate in Liberty township, McKean county, Pa., and being part of warrant No. 3464, and having thereon one good frame dwelling 16x20 feet with wing attached, one good frame barn, nearly new, with basement stables, one corn house, about sixty acres cleared and in good state of cultivation and well watered.

ALSO—All that messuage and tract of land situate in the township of Liberty, county of McKean and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at a stake in the middle of the highway 21 rods from the north side of S. H. Barrett's barn on the Smethport road running from Port Allegany, thence north 55° west ten rods; thence west 45° south 11½ rods, thence south 45° east 10 rods, thence east 55° north 11½ rods to the place of beginning, containing 113 square rods, strict measure, be the same more or less, and having thereon one two story frame building 18x26 feet with wing 20x16 feet attached and several fruit trees and well watered.

ALSO—All that certain place, parcel or tract of land situate in the township of Hamilton, county of McKean and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, known and described as subdivision number 21 in warrant No. 2843 containing 235 acres, be the same more or less, all unimproved—wild land.

ALSO—All of the defendant's interest in the following described piece or parcel of land situate in the village of Port Allegany, township of Liberty, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, known and described as follows to wit: Beginning at a post set in the centre of the road standing at the north east corner of a lot conveyed by A. S. Arnold and wife to C. I. Madbery, dated April 29, 1867, thence south sixty degrees west 14 1-10 perches to north west corner of same, thence north thirty degrees west 9 1-10 perches to lands of Dr. Goltry, thence north sixty degrees east 14 1-10 perches to the centre of the road; thence by the same south 30° east 9 1-10 perches to the place of beginning containing 13 3-10 square perches, be the same more or less, the same being under a good state of cultivation and having thereon about 25 apple trees.

ALSO—All of defendant's interest in the following described piece or parcel of land situate in the village of Port Allegany, township of Liberty, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, known and described as follows to-wit: Bounded on the north west by land of O. Vosburg, on the north east by Church street, on the south east by land of Mrs. Crosier and on the south west by Main street, containing about one-half of an acre, be the same more or less; the same being under a state of good cultivation and well fenced.

ALSO—Defendant's one-third interest in the following described piece or parcel or tract of land situate in the township of Annin, county of McKean, and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at a post the north corner of land of Westley Allen (lot No. 261), thence north 45 degrees east 80 6-10 perches to a hemlock corner, thence east 75 perches to a post corner; thence south 88 4-10 perches to a post corner in the west line of land conveyed to William Rice (lot 262); thence west 75 perches to a post corner in the east line of land contracted to Archibald Allen (lot No. 263), thence north 45° west 69 perches to the place of beginning, containing 58 8-10ths acres strict measure, be the same more or less and being lot No. 278 of the allotment of Keating lands in Annin township and part of warrants No.'s 3453 and 2318 and having thereon a small dwelling house and some land cleared.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of A. H. Medbery, C. I. Medbery and Thomas McDowell, E. P. Dalrymple, C. Bard, Wm. Smith and H. J. Barrett, Terre Tenants, at the suit of Carlton A. Smith, administrator of the estate of S. E. B. Smith and others.

R. SARTWELL, Sheriff.

Sheriff's office, Smethport, Nov. 24, 1879.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of *Fieri Facias* issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, to me directed, I have levied upon the following described real estate, to wit, which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the borough of Smethport, on Monday, the 15th day of Dec., A. D. 1879, at one o'clock p. m.

All the defendant's right, title and interest in and to the following real estate bounded and described as follows to wit, situate in Bradford township, McKean county, State of Pennsylvania, beginning at the south east corner of the Levi Seaward farm extending thence west on line of J. F. Clark farm one hundred and twenty rods to a post, thence north at right angles with south west line thereof seven rods to a post thence east on line parallel with first line one hundred and twenty rods to a post, thence south twenty-seven rods to the place of beginning, containing twenty acres of land, subject to a reserve twenty-seven rods long and eighty feet deep along public highway for building purposes with two producing oil wells thereon, two carpenter's rigs, one engine and one engine and boiler combined, about 800 feet casing 2000 feet tubing, 2000 feet sucker rods and working barrel, one 250-bbl. tank, one 100-bbl. tank and one 40-bbl. tank, subject to one-eighth royalty.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of J. L. Lewis at the suit of Levi Seaward.

R. SARTWELL, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Nov. 24, 1879.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of *Fieri Facias* issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, to me directed, I have levied upon the following described real estate which I shall expose to public sale at the *Court House*, in the borough of Smethport, on Monday, the 15th day of Dec., A.D. 1879, at one *o'clock* p.m.

The defendants interest in and to the following described real estate situate in the Bradford township, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit: Being the south western portion of 75 acres leased to Morris Bonney of the city of Buffalo off the north east corner of the Taylor estate, bounded as follows to wit: Beginning in the south line of the Corwin farm, thence south and east far enough to form a triangle containing thirty acres of land more or less as the same is surveyed out, having thereon one producing oil well, machinery and fixtures. ALSO—One other piece or parcel of land lying east of and adjoining the above thirty acres bounded as follows to wit: Beginning at the same point in Corwin's south line as the above thirty acres, thence south east to south east corner of the above thirty acres, thence east and north far enough that a line drawn parallel to the first line and extending to said Corwin's south line, thence along Corwin's line to beginning would include twenty acres bounded on the north east by twenty-five acres, balance of said seventy-five acres.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of C. K. Sayles & Co. at the suit of Howe & Cook, use of Knight, Sisson & Company.

R. SARTWELL, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Nov. 24, 1879.

LEGAL.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of *Levari Facias* issued out of the court of Common Pleas of McKean county, to me directed, I have levied upon the following described real estate which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the Borough of Smethport, on Monday the 15th day of December, 1879, at one o'clock p. m.

All that certain piece and parcel of land situate in Bradford borough, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Commencing on the north line of Main street twenty-two feet east of the south west corner of lot No. 46, thence north 1½ degrees west one hundred feet to the south side of a fifteen foot alley; thence north 88½ degrees east along the south side of said alley 22 feet to a post, thence south one and one-half degrees east one hundred feet to the north line of Main street, thence south 88½ deg. west along the north line of Main street twenty-two feet to the place of beginning, being a part of village lot No. 46 and being a part of the same lands sold to the second parties by John Colby and wife by deed dated January 8, 1879, with the appurtenances.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Thomas W. Tone & Daniel Clark at the suit of for use of Charles Metcalf and G. N. Parmlee, executors of L. L. Lowry, deceased.

R. SARTWELL, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Nov. 24, 1879.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of *Fieri Facias* issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, to me directed, I have levied upon the following described leasehold estate, to wit, which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the borough of Smethport on Monday, the 15th day of Dec., A. D. 1879, at one o'clock p. m.

The defendants right, title and interest in and to the southern one-half of that piece or parcel of land on the Wilcox farm situate in Bradford township, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded on the east by the David Hunt farm so-called, north by lot No. 4 Wilcox farm, west by lot No. 6, Wilcox farm; said lot No. 5 above mentioned being forty-nine and thirty-three one-hundredths rods north and south by thirty-two and four-tenths rods east and west and known as the A. E. Kapp lot and lot No. 5, together with one fifteen horse power Bay State engine and one twenty-horse Bay State Boiler, two strings tubing, two strings casing, two wooden rigs, two tanks, oil in tanks and all appurtenances thereto belonging.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Joseph W. Donahue at the suit of J. G. Howe and C. M. Cook, partners as Howe & Cook.

R. SARTWELL, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Nov. 24, 1879.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of *Fi. Fa.* issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean Co. to me directed, I have levied upon the following described real estate to wit, which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the borough of Smethport, on Monday, the 15th day of Dec., A.D. 1879, at one o'clock p. m.

The defendant's right, title and interest in and to the following tract or parcel of land situate in Bradford township, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows to wit: Commencing at a post forty-one and six-tenths rods, more or less, north of the northwest corner of lot numbered four hundred sixty-seven; thence north forty-one and six-tenths rods, more or less, to a post; thence east one hundred and ninety-five rods, more or less, to a post; thence south forty-one and six-tenths rods, more or less, to a post; thence west one hundred and ninety-five rods more or less to the place of beginning, containing fifty acres of land be the same more or less, being part of lots No.'s 469, 470, 471 and 473 on warrants No.'s 4335, and 4809, unimproved.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of S. E. Very and E. W. Very at the suit of A. T. Newell.

R. SARTWELL, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Nov. 24, 1879.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of FIERI FACIAS issued out of the court of Common Pleas of McKean Co., to me directed, I have levied upon the following described leasehold estate which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the Borough of Smethport, on Monday the 15th day of December, 1879, at one o'clock p. m.

All the defendant's interest in a lease of land for oil purposes originally leased by A. W. Boyd to James T. and B. Hoffman, bounded and described as follows to wit: Situate in the township of Bradford, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded on the north by lease of Dingman & Alby, on the east by lease of Balton Bros; on the south by lands of Joseph Tait, and west by lands of E. A. Culver, being part of the A. W. Boyd farm in Bradford township, containing six acres of land, more or less, said lease having thereon two oil wells complete, two engines and one boiler five 250-bbl. tanks and one 80-bbl. tank.

ALSO—All the defendant's interest in a lease of land for oil purposes, situate, lying and being in the township of Bradford, county of McKean, and State of Pennsylvania, being part of the Daniel Rew farm, bounded and described as follows to wit: Commencing at a post the south east corner of the lot or leasehold now owned by Dyer & Ford, formerly by Clemenger, thence north one hundred and three-tenths perches to the lot owned by Burley and to the north east corner of said Dyer & Ford lot, thence east about thirty-two perches to the north west corner of the lot owned by said first party; thence south one hundred and three-tenths perches to Bingham lands; the south west corner of said first party said lot; thence west to the place of beginning, containing twenty acres of land, according to the plan and survey of the said Rew farm into lots by Oliver and Caldwell, reserving one hundred feet of said premises lying north and south of the Bradford and Smethport public road, running through the same, for building purposes; said lease being originally granted to W. K. Thompson and Hugh Wallace by Daniel Rew said lease having thereon one oil well complete, and one oil rig with engine and boiler, two six hundred barrel tanks, one 250 bbl. tank and one small tank.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of F. S. Thompson at the suit of J. N. Thompson.

R. SARTWELL, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Nov. 24, 1879.

Court Proclamation.

The Hon. HENRY W. WILLIAMS, President Judge, and the Hons. W. S. BROWNELL and F. N. BURNHAM, Associate Judges of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court and Court of Common Pleas of the County of McKean, have issued their precept bearing date Friday, Oct. 3, 1879, and to me directed, for holding a Court of Oyer and Terminer and Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphans' Court, and Court of Common Pleas, in the Borough of Smethport on Monday, the 15th day of Dec., 1879, and to continue one week.

Notice is therefore hereby given to Coroners, Justices of the Peace and Constables, within the county that they be then and there in their proper person at 1 o'clock p. m. of said day, with their rolls, records, inquisitions, examinations, and other remembrances, to do those things which their offices appertain to be done. And those who are bound by their recognizances to prosecute the prisoners that are or shall be in the jail of said county of McKean are to be then and there to prosecute against them as well as just.

Dated at Smethport, Nov. 28, 1879, and the 104th year of the Independence of the United States of America.

R. SARTWELL, Sheriff.

List of of Jurors, Dec. T. '79.

GRAND JURORS.

Annin—Henry M. Kinney, Francis Fuller.
Bradford City—W F Book, R G Cochran, A L Hughes, O L Watson
Bradford Twp—J D Downer, Joseph Ramer, H R Smith, Wm. Vosburg.
Eldred—H D Ault, Ezra Hakes, C B Snell
Kendall—N D Kennedy, G A. Lackey
Keating—S P Card, Mac Freeman
Lafayette—J E Butts, Jr.
Liberty—A N Lillibridge
Sergeant—John Martin
Wetmore—Wm. Jones, Frank Mann.

OYER AND TERMINER.

Annin—Charles Besse, J R Kinney
Bradford City—A J Appleton, C Blakesley
Bradford Tp—J C Chambers, C S Coon, Dell Orton, T J Parker
Corydon—J B Davidson
Ceres—Nimrod Lamphere, P V Maxson, Levi H. Winship
Eldred—W R Archibald, J C Barrett, A J Barden, Almond Carpenter, J P Charlet, R Dennis.
Hamilton—I A Anderson, W H Anderson, J. A Anderson, Wm. Byham, Claud English
Hamlin—Augustus Melander
Keating—A D Burbank, G N Barrett, Asa Champlin, Porter Ostrander, A J Otto
Kendall—Thos. Campbell, A Crooker, Geo. W Crooker, J W Fonda, A Henderson, B A Knight, Richard Myers, Geo Mitchell
Liberty—Geo Backus, W H Davis, L H Gallup, J W Green, J G Hall, Miles Irons
Norwich—Henry Evans
Sergeant—Lawrence Boyer, G. Macfarlane, John Shoemaker.
Smethport—O W Gallup.

Register's Notices.

ADMINISTRATORS and Guardians accounts having been settled in the office of the said Register the same will be presented for confirmation at the Orphans' Court of said county to be held at Smethport, Pa., on the third Monday of December, A. D. 1879, viz:

W. I. Lewis, administrator of the estate of John Newcomb, late of Duke Center, McKean county, Pa., deceased.

E. Fitch and John G. Hall, administrators of the estate of Paul Hall, late of Liberty township, McKean county, Pa., deceased.

Claud V. Gillis and Joshua Davis, administrators of the estate of William Collerige, late of Wetmore township, McKean county, Pa., deceased.

Claud V. Gillis and Joshua Davis, administrators of the estate of Susan Collerige, late of Wetmore township, McKean county, Pa., deceased.

J. Cronen, guardian of Thomas Therry, minor child of the late William Therry, of Bradford township, McKean county, Pa., deceased.

33-3 JOHN B. BRAWLEY, Register.

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We are now settled in our new store, and are prepared to furnish the people of this vicinity and the county with

FURNITURE

of all kinds and of

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Undertaking in all its branches.

Friends and patrons are invited to

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Old Wagons and Sleighs Repaired.

Stabling for Horses free of charge while work is being done.

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THE McKEAN MINER.

Smethport, Pa., Dec. 11, 1879.

THE A B C OF CURRENT FINANCIAL TOPICS.

Written for the Tribune by Col. Wm. [illegible].

VIII.

STAGNANT CURRENCY SURELY GROWS FOUL.

Take care of the quality, and the quantity will take of itself. As to money, that is the golden rule for any people. Keep the money good, and any lack will be quickly supplied. For then coin will come or go as it is wanted, and the people can freely fix by their acts the amount of notes or coin they find most useful. If they have too many notes, some will be redeemed, and this is not contraction, but a substitution of coin for notes in use. If they still have too much money gold will go abroad, but this is only a sale of property for which we have no present use.

So of good money there can never be too little. But of bad money there can never be enough. All our trouble about money springs from ignorance of this fact. Yet it is as absolute a law of nature as that stagnant water will get foul. Stagnant currency, that is not kept pure by free redemption in coin, will inevitably get bad and insufficient for the work it has to do.

Paper money is confined to one land; gold goes to all lands and is the money of the world. If the paper and the gold are freely exchanged, the gold will come in or go out, as more or less money may be needed, and thus the whole may be kept pure. But if they are not freely exchanged, the gold at once becomes the better because it can travel, and pay foreigners in our ports and on our borders. The man who has both will never pay out the gold when the paper will serve. The difference may be small at first but it is fatal. Gold can do all that the paper can do, and some thing more: therefore men will not pay out the gold as par for paper, lest they may fail to get it back. No one will then deposit or lend gold, to take pay in paper. The gold passes out of use as money; it can no longer serve as reserve, nor go freely from hand to hand. Men who have it will lock it up in special deposits, or private safes or hoards. It becomes merchandise, and the amount of current money in the country shrinks to that extent. This causes a real scarcity, but gold will not go to that country because there is no use for it there. It goes abroad, because elsewhere it is more needed. Whatever stays hides itself, and adds no more to the supply of money than so many pounds of lead or ounces of diamonds would add.

This very thing would result in this country, if redemption of paper money should be stopped. We should take away from our present supply of current money all the gold in the country, which would vanish from sight into the hiding places and locked vaults where it waited seventeen years, and at the same time we should close and bar the doors against the unlimited supply of gold that the world has on hand. At this hour, disaster would strike down reviving trade and industry, were it not known that $50,000,000 in bullion, not needed in the Bank of England, had begun to come hither even before the need of it was felt. No man who holds that more money is needed here should consent to shut out that full supply, and to take away from our current money all the gold now in use.

In every land there are times of special need for an enlarged supply of money. Here, such need often comes with the movement of the crops. At other times, in every land, too much money is found in use, and if the excess is not relieved by outflow, wild speculation is apt to come, until bread and goods are made too dear for consumers. In April we exported $2,430,000 of specie, which in August we shall take back again. Thus in times of lack or excess, gold flows in or out, but paper can do neither. When there is too much, or when there is too little, there is no help for it without redemption, save in the slow action of the Government. If more is issued to meet a temporary want, there will be too much after that want has passed, and, long before Government can withdraw any, mischief will be done. That is a stagnant currency; it can neither flow in nor out. At some period it is certain to be in excess of exchanging needs. Then speculation kindles and prices rise. Each dollar will buy less, so that all the money in use scarcely suffices, though the season is not one of great natural activity. But when the season changes, and there is more work to be done by money, suddenly there is a great lack. The money in use has lost part of its buying power, prices having been pushed too far. A wild outcry is raised at once for more money, and of such money fifty times as much would not be enough. Having begun to depreciate, and to get insufficient for its work because it has depreciated, it will grow worse as surely as speckled apples will rot.

Of such money, there always seems to be not enough. It breeds the gambling fever, and more money is wanted in two days of wild speculation than healthy trade would need in a week. It breeds habits of waste, and when forty millions of people are spending quarters as if they were dimes, more money is always wanted. It prompts retail dealers middlemen to higher charges, in order to cover their risks from sharp changes, of price, but their higher charges make more money wanted. The trouble is that the stuff will not buy enough. In time of temporary excess, it could not get out of the country, and so pushed prices upward, until it has lost part of the buying power it pretends to have. Then in a time when full currency is needed, prices and habits will not yield quickly enough to restore the lost buying power. It is a short task to pour a gallon of water into a gallon of whiskey, but it is not so easy to get back the three quarters of full strength. So there is a painful lack of money, and an intense demand for a larger issue of notes. Never yet has any Government wholly resisted that pressure. Strong appeals are made to ignorance and passion. The poor are told that money is scarce only because some rich men please to make it so. But the real trouble is only as to the quality, not as to the quantity of the money. Like some powder made by Confederates during the war, there was enough of it, but it would not throw bullets far. It did no good to mix more charcoal with it, and it does no good to add more paper to a depreciated currency. The money cannot do the work because it is to poor; not because there is too little of it.

A Cruel Hoax.

Last evening, just before sundown, a gentleman, who was sitting by his window on north B street casually remarked:

"There goes the woman that George Brown's dead gone on."

His wife, who was in the back room getting supper, dropped a plate on the floor, stumbled over the baby, and ran like a quarter horse to the window, with:

"What? Where? Tell me, quick!

"The one with the long cloak—just at the corner."

Then the woman at the window said in tones of deep disgust:

"Why, that's Brown's wife."

"Yes, exactly," remarked the brutal husband, quietly.

Then the disappointed woman went back and got supper ready, but her usual sweet disposition was soured for the evening.

The rope, whip and shot gun seem to have been very freely used by the Democrats in Louisiana, and it is reported that they carried the State by 20,000 majority.

BUSINESS LOCAL.

—We were exposed last week to a pitiless storm, that wet our feet and stockings and indeed our person all over. In fact we took a cracking cold, which brought sore throat and severe symptoms of fever. The good wife asserted her authority, plunged our feet into hot water, wrapped us in hot blankets, and sent our faithful son for a bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. It is a splendid medicine—pleasant to take and did the job. We slept soundly through the night and awoke well the next morning. We know we owe our quick recovery to the Cherry Pectoral, and shall not hesitate to recommend it to all who need such a medicine.—Tebuscana (Texas) *Presbyterian.*

Constipation is Cured

no matter how severe, or of how long standing, by the use of Kidney-Wort. As a cathartic it is effective without debilitating, carries off all impurities, and is at the same time as nourishing and healing as any article of food we eat.

A World of Good.

One of the most popular medicines now before the American public, is Hop Bitters. You see it everywhere. People take it with good effect. It builds them up. It is not as pleasant to the taste as some other Bitters as it is not a whiskey drink. It is more like the old fashioned boneset tea that has done a world of good. If you don't feel just right try Hop Bitters.—*Nauda News.*

—After two seasons of use of the Perfected Butter color made by Wells, Richardson & Co., Burlington, Vt., R. Colling, of Guilford, Ind., says: "Why not use a butter color, when that so perfectly harmless and efficacious can be obtained?"

Humbugged Again.

I saw so much said about the *merits* of Hop Bitters, and my wife who was always doctoring, and never well, teased me so urgently to get her some, I concluded to be humbugged again; and I am glad I did for in less than two months use of the Bitters my wife was cured and she has remained so for eighteen months since. I like such humbugging.—H. T., St. Paul.

The Unfortunate.

We come to them with a well known remedy. *Hamilton's German Bitters,* that in cases of dyspepsia, acidity of the stomach, fever and ague, loss of appetite, jaundice and diseases of the kidneys, has been used with *wonderful* and almost *universal* success. In cases of disordered digestion, sluggish circulation of the blood, and exhausted vital energy, it stands without a rival. *It is a most effectual tonic,* imparting tone to the stomach and strength to the system. Price 50 cents a bottle. Sold by A. B. Armstrong.

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THE PRESIDING ELDER'S WIFE.

WARREN, Pa., March 20, 1878.

DR. M. M. FENNER, Fredonia, N. Y.

Dear Sir:—After using your Blood and Liver Remedy and Nerve Tonic, and Cough Honey for two years past in our family, I can testify that they will do all that you claim for them. Our family has derived *more* benefit from their use than from any other medicine we ever tried. We heartily recommend them to all. Yours truly.

MRS. REV. E. M. WARREN.

Dr. Fenner's Blood and Liver Remedy and Nerve Tonic may well be called "the conquering hero" of the times. It is *the* medical triumph of the age. Whoever has "the blues" should take it, for it *regulates* and *restores* the disordered system that gives rise to them. It always cures Billiousness and Liver Complaint, Jaundice, Dyspepsia, Constipation, Headaches, FEVER AND AGUE, SPLEEN ENLARGEMENTS, Scrofula, Erysipelas, Pimples, Blotches and ALL SKIN ERUPTIONS and BLOOD DISORDERS; Swelled Limbs and Dropsy; Sleeplessness, Impaired Nerves and Nervous Debility; Restores flesh and strength when the system is running down or going into decline; cures Female Weakness and Chronic Rheumatism, and relieves Chronic Bronchitis, and all *Lung* and Throat difficulties. It does these things by striking at the root of disease and removing its causes.

Dr. Fenner's Improved Cough Honey will relieve any cough in one hour. Try a sample bottle at 10 cents.

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An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy, for the speedy and permanent cure for consumption, bronchitis, catarrh, asthma, and all throat and lung affections, also a positive and radical cure for nervous debility and all nervous complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive, and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send, free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, with full directions for preparing and using, in German, French, or English. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. W. Sherar, 149 Powers' Block, Rochester, N. Y.

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New-York Tribune

For 1880.

During the coming Presidential year THE TRIBUNE will be a more effective agency than ever for telling the news best worth knowing, and for enforcing sound politics. From the day the war closed it has been most anxious for an end of sectional strife. But it saw two years ago, and was the first persistently to proclaim the new danger to the country from the revived alliance of the Solid South and Tammany Hall. Against that danger it sought to rally the old party of Freedom and the Union. It began by demanding the abandonment of personal dislikes, and set the example. It called for an end to attacks upon each other instead of the enemy; and for the heartiest agreement upon whatever fit candidates the majority should put up against the common foe. Since then the tide of disaster has been turned back; every doubtful State has been won, and the omens for National victory were never more cheering.

The Tribune's Position.

Of the TRIBUNE's share in all this, those speak most enthusiastically who have seen most of the struggle. It will faithfully portray the varying phases of the campaign now beginning. Union and the Public Faith may select the man surest to win, and surest to make a good President. But in this crisis it can conceive of no nomination this party could make that would not be preferable to the best that could possibly be supported by the Solid South and Tammany Hall.

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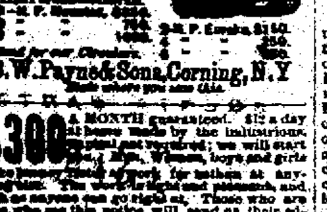
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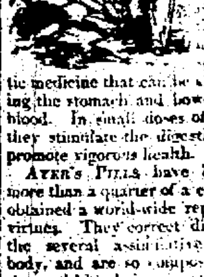
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Road Orders,
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Subpœnas,
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Sheriff's Bill of Sale,
Statement for Judgment on Motion,
School Orders,
Transcript—Commonwealth,
Transcript—Civil,
Warrants,
Attachments for Witness,
Sci. Fa. upon Recognizance.

LINES OF TRAVEL.

Pennsylvania Railroad.

Philadelphia & Erie R. R. Division

WINTER TIME TABLE.

On and after Sunday, NOV. 9th, 1879, the Trains on the Philadelphia & Erie Railroad Division will run as follows:

WESTWARD.

ERIE MAIL leaves Philadelphia.... 11.55 p.m
" " Renovo 11 00 a.m.
" " Emporium 1 15 p.m.
" " St. Mary's 2 11 p.m.
" " Kane 3 50 p.m.
" arr. at Erie 7 55 p.m

EASTWARD.

ERIE MAIL leaves Erie..... 11.30 a. m
" " Kane 4 00 p.m.
" " St. Mary's 7 27 p.m.
" " Emporium 6 27 p.m.
" " Renovo 8 40 p.m.
" arr. at Philadelphia 7 00 a.m.

Wm. A. BALDWIN,
Gn'l Supt.

MCKEAN & BUFFALO RAILROAD Time table went into effect Monday, June 9, 1879, at 3.40 o'clock a.m.

SOUTHWARD.

MAIL—Leaves Larrabee 12.35 a. m., arriving at Frisbee 1.48*; Cory's, 41.14; Farmers Valley, 11.55; Smethport, 12.05 p.m.; Crosby, 12.31; Colegrove, 12.35; Hamlin, 12.57*. Weerawa, 12.45*; Clermont, 12.57.

EXPRESS, No. 4.—Leaves Larrabee 4.15 p.m., arriving at Frisbee 5.28*; Cory's, 5.37; Farmers Valley, 5.57; Smethport 6.45.

ACCOMMODATION, No. 6.—Leaves Larrabee 8.30 a.m., arriving at Frisbee 9.57*; Cory's 10.07; Farmers Valley 9.10; Smethport 9.30.

LOCAL, No. 10, second class.—Leaves Larrabee 3.45 p.m., arriving at Frisbee 5.54*; Cory's 5.30*; Farmers Valley 4.10; Smethport 4.22; Crosby 4.28*, Colegrove 4.32, Hamlin 4.47*, Weerawa 5.00*, Clermont 5.47.

CLERMONT COAL, Second Class, No. 20.—Leaves Larrabee 8.40 a. m., arriving at Frisbee 9.47*, Cory's 9.50*, Farmers Valley 9.00*, Smethport 9.10, Crosby 9.14*, Colegrove 9.18, Hamlin 9.32*, Weerawa 9.42*, Clermont 10.05.

NORTHWARD.

EXPRESS, No. 1.—Leaves Clermont 5.20 p.m. arriving at Weerawa at 5.30*, Hamlin 5.40*, Colegrove 5.45, Crosby 5.48*, Smethport 6.02, Farmers Valley 6.12* (Cory's 6.22), Frisbee 6.28*, Larrabee 6.50.

MAIL, No. 3.—Leaves Clermont at 1.27 p. m., arriving at Weerawa 1.38*, Hamlin 1.54*, Colegrove 1.58, Crosby 1.56*, Smethport, 2.11, Farmers Valley 2.23, Cory's 2.30* Frisbee 2.38*, Larrabee 2.46.

ACCOMMODATION, No. 5.—Leaves Smethport at 9.25 a.m., arriving at Farmers Valley 9.35 Cory's 9.44, Frisbee 9.47*, Larrabee 9.55.

LOCAL, No. 19.—Leaves Smethport 8.52 p. m., arriving at Farmers Valley 9.02, Cory's 9.12*, Frisbee 9.15*, Larrabee, 9.25.

BUFFALO COAL, No. 17.—Leaves Clermont at 5.40 p.m., arriving at Weerawa at 5.50*, Hamlin 6.06*, Colegrove 6.11, Crosby 6.15*, Smethport 6.31, Farmers Valley 6.42, Cory's 6.51, Frisbee 6.56*, Larrabee 7.05.

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When the corn is gathered in,
And the summer days are o'er,
And the throngs return again
From the mountains and the shore,
Then the light of gentle eyes
Comes where silent homes have been,
'Neath the cool September skies,
When the corn is gathered in.

There's a beauty on the land,
And a splendor on the sea,
As we wander hand in hand—
For my love comes back to me.
There's a silence on the beach
Where her footsteps late have been,
As we whisper each to each,
When the corn is gathered in.

At the falling of the leaves,
When November days draw nigh,
And the dreary north wind grieves
With a more than human cry,
I shall clasp her to my heart—
I have wooed, and I shall win—
We shall dwell no more apart,
When the corn is gathered in.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HIS FIVE MOTHERS-IN-LAW

A REAL TRUE STORY.

Most husbands and wives, if we may credit all they say, find it difficult to live in the same house with a mother-in-law, but "Old Sol C——" (as he was commonly called) of Boston, dwelt in peace and comfort for several years with five ladies bearing that relation to him.

When I first knew that old gentleman he appeared to be about *fifty*, but was in reality about *sixty-eight* and had a charming wife who was then *twenty-six*, and two lovely children, a boy and a girl; one seven, the other five. His children by his first wife were all married, and some of his grandchildren were also married and, themselves, had children older than Mr. B——'s two youngest.

On the first day of my visit at his pleasant home not many miles from Boston, as I took my place at the dinner table with Mrs. B——, I was surprised to see five old ladies come into the room together and to be introduced to each of them in succession as follows: "My own mother, Mrs. B——, senior; my next mother, Mrs. Henry; my third mother, Mrs. James; my fourth mother, Mrs. Williams; my fifth mother, Mrs. John."

"Mrs. B——, senior," who seemed the youngest of the old ladies, laughed aloud at my look of consternation— a melodious laugh for one of her years—and every one smiled but Mr.——, who invoked the blessing with his usual air and led the table-talk on indifferent topics. That evening in the parlor young Mrs. B——gave us some music, and the old ladies retired early one after another the "own mother" going last, when she was tenderly assisted up stairs by her son. On his return Mr. B—— said to me with a smile of amusement:

"I see that you are, as the ladies say, 'dying to know' what all this means. I purposely did not tell you that I had five mothers-in-law, because I always like to see the effect produced by my household on other people. You, for instance, live so differently, all alone, how do we appear to you?"

"Harmonious and happy; but I have seen you together only a very short time. What is your every-day experience?"

"Much the same, especially since my dear wife came into our household. I had all the old ladies when she arrived."

"But where did you get them all; they cannot all belong to you?"

"Yes, every *one* of them. I have four mothers-in-law, and as my own mother is my wife's mother-in-law, of course that makes five mothers-in-law in our house. Now, as my wife is just going to her little one's nursery, I will tell you about my old ladies

"When I married my first wife, her mother, who was a widow, came to live with us. She was a good creature and had seen pretty hard times, having supported herself by school teaching and sewing for several years, and she seemed to greatly enjoy my comfortable home—I was always a thriving man of business. So one day I said to her, 'Now, mother, there is no reason why you shouldn't make your home with us always while you live; you can bring your own furniture, if you choose, or you need not; the room you now occupy shall be your own always, and besides what my wife may do I will give you fifty dollars a year for your clothes (that was an ample sum for a woman to have all to herself in those times). You can teach if you wish to; you will always be welcome to our table and parlor, or, if you prefer, you can cook for yourself in your own room. Only one thing will I exact in return—you must never make any mischief nor quarrel with anybody in my house about anything. And if sometimes you are displeased you must go to your room and pout it out alone, and only join us again when you feel pleasant. For I won't be worried and least of all will I have my wife worried by anybody. Now, mother, what do you say?"

"She only said, 'You are a good man, Solomon B——, and the Almighty will reward you, and I thank you from my heart. I will do my part.'

"So I never had any trouble with her. We all lived together twenty years, and then my wife had an attack of pneumonia and died—and soon after that my own mother was *left* a widow and came to live with me. My mother is only sixteen years older than I am, and being so lively and smart she seemed quite like a younger sister to mother Henry, and they got easily along. But after a while, when the children were all about grown, I got so lonesome that I coaxed a real nice, sensible lady of Philadelphia, not handsome, but just as good as gold, to marry me. I told her all about my old ladies, and found she had two mothers living with her, her own mother and her husband's mother. They had neither of them any property, but she owned a house and took boarders in it to support them all.

"Well, I made the same proposition to her old ladies that I had made to my mother-in-law, and they both agreed. Then I went home and built an addition to my house, and soon brought my second wife and mother there. We had some occasional pouting at first, but I always held two points without yielding—I was the master in my own house, and would never let anybody worry my wife and friends had long believed him dead. Eventually his brother, with the aid of the British authorities in the Mediterranean, succeeded in ransoming him from the Dey, and brought him home to England, where, however, he did not long survive his release, his constitution having been irreparably injured by exposure, privations, and forced labor in the dey's galleys.

Bonded Towns.

The bonded debt of Nunda in aid of the defunct Rochester, Nunda & Pennsylvania Railway, is this year $63,000. The people of that town are to be taxed this year $4,480 to pay interest and commission, and $2,000 for the sinking fund for purchasing and retiring bonds. Nunda was originally bonded for $74,000, so that the debt has been reduced $11,000 in about eight years.

Dansville, in the same county, has a bonded railroad debt of $64,000, on which it will be necessary to pay $8,000 of principle and $3,400 of interest on the 1st of April, 1880. Angelica, Mt. Morris and other towns in that vicinity are in the same disagreeable box. It is fortunate for the people the amended State constitution prohibits towns from bonding in future except for purely local purposes.

THEY have a project on foot in New York State for the preservation of Niagara Falls. That is all right but who is to protect the poor hackman from the blood-thirsty tourists.—Danbury *Globe*.

A Valuable Hole in the Ground.

Captain Colman's letter to the New-York *Evening Post* says: Six years ago when traveling the Alta divide of the Wasatch mountains, I lost my way in the pine forests and gulches where there was neither habitation nor trail, and the bearing of the sun was my only hope of deliverance. Suddenly I came to an opening where a little space had been cleared, and a log house denoted the presence of mankind, and a windlass, with a small pile of dirt at its side, betokened works which I mistook for the digging of a well. A nearer inspection proved that it was a "location," and a stained paper notice on a stake told me that the "prospect" was called the Ontario. The discoverers, two rough looking men, were getting out dirt, a bucketful at a hoist, from the shaft, and seemed to be so poor and hungry that like Esau, they would have sold their birthright for a mess of pottage. Had I been as keen at a bargain as Jacob was, I should have bought it there and then. But little dreaming of the value of that hole in the ground, I left the patient miners at their work, after getting from them the direction of Snyder's ranch.

The Ontario prospect is now the Ontario mine, that has paid its owners more than $5,000,000 in dividends, and Snyder's ranch, where Snyder was as poor as Rip Van Winkle's dog of the same name, is now known by the municipal name of Park city. No uncertain trail leads to the city and the mine. Daily from Salt Lake through Parley's Park canyon, a distance of thirty miles, the road is crowded with stage coaches, wagons and teams, going and returning with passengers, supplies and ore, and the city is the most flourishing camp in the territory.

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—Commissioner Colegrove is at Ridgway this week.

—Chew "Jackson's Best" Sweet Navy Tobacco. v16-n4-y1

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—While there is life there is hope, hope. It's only three weeks to Leap Year.

—Get your tickets early for the grand concert next week Wednesday evening.

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—Three rooms in the residence of Jno. B. Chadwick have been fitted up as jury rooms.

—"Comparisons are odious," is the exclamation of the Bradford *Star* to the *Era*.

—Eben Brewer, late proprietor of the Bradford *Star*, is studying law in the office of J. C. Sturgeon Esq.

—Twenty different brands of fine-cut chewing tobacco for sale at factory prices, at Reilly's cigar store.

—Ben Hogan has returned to Bradford to show his old comrades in iniquity that he has reformed and urge them to the same course.

—The plasterers are busy at work laying on the mud on the inner walls of C. S. King's building.

—The Bradford *Era* printed and sold an edition of 12,000 copies, containing the account of Tracy's execution.

—M. A. Sprague has opened an immense stock of silver ware and table cutlery, of the latest styles and patterns.

—An Oil Exchange is talked of in Olean. How they *ever* worried along without one is more than we can imagine.

—T. A Morrison, Esq., has rented the Orris Gallup residence, corner of King and State streets, of Sheriff Sartwell, at $175 a year.

—An inspection of Sprague's stock of silverware is more satisfying than attending a silver wedding, and not half as expensive.

—Pennies are reported very scarce, and will continue to be until after Christmas. The children are contracting the copper currency just now.

—From 60,000 to 70,000 men are expected to form in line for parade when Gen. Grant returns to Philadelphia after completing the circuit of the world.

—The *McKean Miner* entered upon its seventeenth year of existence last week, and we wish it twice seventeen years of continued prosperity.—Kane *Blade*.

—Warly Gifford, of the firm of Haskill & Gifford, returned from the city yesterday, and his return will be followed by an immense stock of winter goods.

—The trains on the Wellsboro road are stopped at any time to allow passengers to pick up their hats and jack knives when they drop them out of the window.

—A new *safe* has been put into B. D. Hamlin & Son's vault. It is of the latest pattern with a time lock, one of those affairs that the owner himself cannot open only at a certain tick of the clock.

—The work of excavating for the new Court House will be concluded this week, after which no more work of importance will be undertaken till spring.

—The Duke Center Sunday *News* has been enlarged to an eight column paper, a fact which speaks well for the town and the energetic and enterprising proprietors of the paper.

—R. O. Smith & Co., of Olean, make a new announcement in this week's issue. They have materially enlarged their store, and are doing a larger business than ever. Read the advertisement.

—Reserved seats for the concert can be secured at Armstrong's drug store on and after Monday. Only a limited number will be sold, and as the church will be crowded those who want to be certain of seats should secure them early.

—The latest unpleasant episode in the history of the test well now going down near this borough is a crooked hole caused by the drill passing through a very hard rock. It will be straightened by means of a torpedo. The well is down about 1300 feet.

—J. P. Wendel's grocery and provision store is the only distinctive and exclusive grocery store in town. His stock is extensive and complete, and it is questionable if you can ask for anything in the line of groceries or provisions that he does not keep.

—One of the citizens of Smethport was arrested to day on the charge of assault and battery. The head and front of his offending consisted in forcibly ejecting the servant girl from his room. The male portion of this borough pride themselves upon their *vis*—but comment is wholly unnecessary.

—Mr. B. Dalmage, a Tarport blacksmith, did not live happily in his domestic relations, and made preparations for a funeral in the family by purchasing and swallowing a dose of strychnine. Two or three doctors, were summoned, and succeeded in disarranging arrangements, and the life of another fool was spared to this cruel world.

—M. L. Armstrong's jewelry store is in the hands of the cabinet maker and painter, preparatory to new goods.

—Do not be deceived by the McK. & B. time table on the inside. A new schedule has gone into operation since that side of the paper was printed.

—An 800 barrel tank on the Verdon farm, Cole Creek, burst on Monday morning, and the escaping oil caught fire from a blaze at a drilling well near by. Three rigs, a barn filled with hay, and about 1500 barrels of oil were burned. The total loss was about $3,000.

—A Miss Farr, of Coleville, undertook to start a fire yesterday morning with crude oil. The result was as might be expected every time. There was a premature ignition, the dress caught fire and she was so shockingly burned that her life is despaired of.

—The Dutch have captured Holland, and are now in a fair way to capture Bradford. A dealer in saner-krout asserts that he has sold 7,900 barrels of the odoriferous and mysterious compound in Bradford the past year. It is no wonder the town has so fragrant a reputation.

—We shall probably have some snow this winter, and it is well to be provided by investing in one of those light, cheap and handy snow shovels manufactured by J. G. Strong. They only cost 25 cents and can be found either at Strongs sash factory or at M. A. Sprague's hardware store.

—A correspondent from Clermont states that George Johnson, of Eldred, killed a bear near the former place a few days ago after firing seventeen shots into the monster. The bear fought desperately for his life and had his antagonist treed a portion of the time. Mr. Johnson was obliged to return to the camp, a distance of almost two miles, for a new supply of ammunition before making a final end of his bearship.

—Pursuant to advertisement the assignee sale of the real estate of L. Rogers took place on Tuesday. The following properties were sold: The homestead on Main street, to Mrs. A. D. Burbank, for $3,000. Square No. 30 and one half of square No 7, to D. C. Young, for $1,200. One-half square No. 31, center half of square 44, and 80 acre out-lot, to Mrs. A. E. Ernhout and D. C. Young, for $1750. Two lots in square 21 to Z. D. Gifford, for $200. Two lots in same square to Henry Gallup, for $150. Two lots in square 43, with barn, to Mrs. C. A. Burdick, for $500. All the sales were cash. The farm, mill property and unsealed lands were not sold.

—We take it that Postmasters and post office officials generally have their duties to perform as well as other people and should be held to a strict accountability for neglect of their duties. When we deposit our papers in the office, all ready to be delivered to the mail carrier, there our responsibility ends, and is transferred to the P. O. Department, and, however, provoking it may be to us as well as our subscribers, we are not to blame if without our knowledge they are neglected and allowed to remain in the office two days before sending, as happened last week. We have a sufficient burden of responsibility of our own to carry, and mention this that those of our readers who did not get their MINER last week may be able to turn their swearing in the right direction.

—The distillers would not have made and barrelled 71,893,621 gallons of whiskey, etc., during the last fiscal year, if they had not had an intelligent confidence in their ability to find customers at paying prices. It is a slight relief to know that 15,000,000 or so were sent across the seas to fire the brains and gnaw the stomachs of the effete despots and their subjects; but even with this deduction, there was left on hand the enormous quantity of 56,893,000 gallons (in round numbers) of whiskey and its congeners for home consumption. Even if all Americans took their liquor straight—which they don't—and if the average price of a drink was ten cents—which, we are informed is not the fact—the gurgling of the last swallow of this colossal potation down the free and equal American throat will represent an expenditure of between $341,000,000 and $455,000,000, according to the size of the average bar drink. And the distillers are still at work.—*N. Y. Sun.*

—The reporter of the Bradford *Sunday News* evidently was not present at the execution last week, but he wrote a very good sensational account of it, making over two columns, counting the blood curdling headlines. It is nicely written and reads beautifully, but with little apparent regard to facts. Witness the following extract. The diction is commendable, at least. We publish it as an item of interest, if not amusement of those who were there:

The day broke bright and beautiful, with the goldsome sun beaming like a benison upon the pretty village and all nature seemed to smile in the very fulness of its living joy. The shadows danced as gleefully before the frowning portals of the crime-haunted jail as upon the pure hillside yonder, yet, within, a sin-laden soul was even then preparing to take its last awful leap into the dark. The slight eminence upon which the jail stands was very early peopled with curious village idlers, and before the sun was well up the front of the jail was surrounded by a crowd, many of whom remained until after the legal tragedy was enacted.

Now, *isn't* that nice.

Merry Bells.

There is nothing more conducive to the pleasure of a sleighride than a string of sweet toned bells. Sprague has them in every variety of tone, weight and price.

An Awful Death.

Death in any form is sufficiently terrible, but nothing can be more terrible than death by explosion of a kerosene lamp. One occurred in Elmira last week. The victim a married lady, was covered with the burning oil, was terribly burned and died an agonizing death. Nearly every paper we pick up contains similar accounts, and they will continue to be reported so long as people use poor oil and unsafe lamps. The only safe lamp is Perkins & House's non-explosive. Its reputation is world-wide, and it is as nearly absolutely safe as a lamp can be. It costs a little more than a glass lamp, but no housewife who values her own life or the lives of her family will use any other. Sprague has the agency for them, and also has a full stock of other lamps and fixtures.

GRAND CONCERT

at the

NEW EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Wednesday Evening, Dec. 17.

We mentioned in our last issue the fact that there would be a concert at the new Episcopal Church, on Wednesday evening of court week, (next week). Following is the programme of the evening's entertainment:

Opening Chorus.....Mirth and Music.
Solo and chorus.....Sweet Chimney Bells.
Quartette.....Harvest Moon.
Duett.....from Opera of Norma.
Chorus.....Freedom's Flag.
Comic Song.....Mistakes.
Male Quartette.....Speed Away.
Sentence.....Turn unto the Lord.
Solo and Chorus, I'll Take you Back, Kathleen
Duett.....Instrumental.
Character Song.....Two men of ye olden tyme.
Solo.....Ruby.
Chorus.....Good Night.

Concert opens at 8 o'clock promptly. Admission, 25 cents. Reserved seats, 35 cents. Tickets for sale at A. B. Armstrong's Drug Store.

MINERMENTION.

BY COOPER.

It may be that you apprehend
That we may touchy folks offend;
For though nor this nor that is meant
Can you another's thoughts prevent?

A GREAT mental "health drop"—the gallows.

LOVE your enemies and hate those that love you.

THE age at which a great many people are married—par-ent-age.

OHIO is the most unsafe place in the world to bury the body of a dead friend.

IT is reported, and generally believed, that our Ohio man was once in love with Mrs. Hayes.

A DOWN-town man says that nothing makes him feel so bad as the thought that he was born without a middle name.

SINCE a Cincinnati lady found, while eating oysters, a $500 pearl, one can hardly help buying five cans of oysters at once.

THERE are ten reasons given why Ohio went Republican, but Ewing gives his reason in the following logical way: "She went because she did, and damn care."

AN exchange wants to know why so many people cross the ocean. Well, we presume they want to get on the other side.

WE always try to manifest a great deal of respect when in the presence of a cross-eyed woman, for the fact is, there is no telling when she's a looking at you.

WE can't help it, although it may not be right to say it so loud and in such a public way, yet we can't refrain from saying that the *Waterloo Observer* is awful nice, and its "observations" are far above the average.

JUST at present there is a long, irrepressible wail all over the country for a cheap grade of Christmas presents, adapted to young men on small salaries. Capitalists and manufacturers should give ear to this wail.

TELEGRAMS, it is stated, are cheaper in Switzerland than anywhere else in the world. We don't believe, however, that the difference in price would justify a Smethport business man to go to Switzerland every time that he wants to send a telegram.

MOST of our readers who read the President's message last week noticed the military and naval estimates furnished by the Secretary of the Treasury as being put down at $40,890,432.93. We don't pretend to know very much about mathematics, but it seems to us that with a little economy on the part of the Government, the 93 cents might be knocked off.

AN infuriated husband becoming irritated beyond endurance because his wife went into hysterics when she thought she heard some one trying the front door, got up on Tuesday night and rushed down stairs in his night-shirt, jerked open the front door and rushed across the porch for his wife's benefit—hailed "Git you dirty hounds or I'll shoot you" and several others such expressions. After looking out upon the starry night for a moment he scudded briskly back to the door, plodded immediately up stairs, and as he wiped his bare feet on the carpet and climbed into bed, his wife, who had regained her usual amount of good sense, rolled over in bed and with a smile in the dark audible enough to be heard said: "I knew that you would make a fool of yourself when I saw you dashing down stairs that way, but I don't pity you an iota, you never would listen to anything I tell you." The poor but obliging husband heaved a two-ton sigh and turning over with his face to the wall went to sleep while not a mouse in the house stirred a foot.

THE man who is always getting his dander up should invest in a hair restorer.—*N.Y. People.*

BOYS who are granted the utmost freedom of the streets are like the sands of life—they run out.—Sandy Stone in *Gate City.*

A MAN can only rise to the pinacle of success upon a staircase built from timber furnished by other failures.—Whitehall *Times.*

WE know an elderly maiden lady who says she is willing to waste her sweetness on some hair, desert or otherwise.—Salem *Sunbeam.*

A NEW YORK clergyman attempts to explain why Paul did not marry. Perhaps, reverend and dear sir, Paul's girl went back on him.—Turners Falls *Reporter.*

WE'LL be damp if Adams of the Marathon *Independent* hasn't hit it at last: "A heavy rain storm may be damp but we have got a concern in our stove pipe that is damper.

ELMIRA may go on building a monument to the memory of Adam, but Gowanda will be first to buy Eve a winter bonnet and a seal skin sacque.—Gowanda *Enterprise.*

WILL KERNARD, whose bright and happy sayings ever make the Waterloo *Observer* a welcome visitor to thousands of homes says: Egotism may not be a very desirable virtue, but it beats modesty to death when success is the objective point.

AND so you sleep on a feather bed, do you? We pity the readers of the McGregor *News.*—Smethport MINER. Did you think we slept on a camel hair mattress, or in a silken hammock? Not much. We must have a double quilted feather bed and our heads must be covered at night. —McGregor *News.* If the *News* man continues to cover his head at nights, there will be another widow in Iowa before spring.

Death of Judge Ketcham.

The Hon. Winthrop W. Ketcham, Judge of the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, died of apoplexy at the St. Charles Hotel in Pittsburgh last Sunday morning.

Judge Ketcham was born at Wilkesbarre, Penn., June 20, 1820. He was a teacher in languages and mathematics for four years in the Wyoming Seminary. In 1850 he was admitted to the bar, and for three years was prothonotary of Luzerne County. He served in the State House in 1858, and in the Senate in 1859. From 1864 to 1866 he was Solicitor of the United States Court of Claims. He was elected to the XLIVth Congress as a Republican, serving from March 4, 1875, to March 3, 1877. In 1877 he was appointed as District Judge.

We are Not.

In reply to several inquiries as to whether we are going to publish the statement of Andrew Tracy which proved a harvest to Jim Stuffer by selling it to a number of daily papers, in which it was published, we will say, we are not. Simply kindness to the friends of the misguided young man, if no other reason should dictate this reply.

The Latest.

The expiration of the patent monopolies upon sewing machines has had the effect to stimulate and widen the business of manufacturing, and the result is many new machines embracing all the good points of the old ones with many new improvements. The latest is the Victor, of which we will have more to say in the near future. M. A. Sprague has the agency for their sale, and a sample can be seen at his store. It is said to beat them all.

For the Holidays.

M. A. Sprague is prepared for the Holiday trade, or for any demands that may be made upon his stock. He has just added to his usual immense stock a larger supply of silver ware than was ever brought into Smethport before by any dealer. There is nothing that can be wished for in the way of castors, cake dishes, butter-bowls, pickle dishes, and the numberless articles of elegant silverware put forth by the manufatories, that Sprague cannot supply. Call and look at them.

Filling up.

About this time of the year we always expect to see M. L. Armstrong's counters and shelves filled to overflowing with new silverware, jewelry and Christmas presents and toys of all descriptions. Mart never disappoints the public in this respect, and this time he will give them a richer treat than ever before. He has just returned from the city, and one would suppose he had bought all the goods in his line that were for sale. If you want a Christmas present, useful, ornamental or comical, call and see what he has got.

The Tribune.

On the second page will be found the prospectus of the New York *Tribune*, to which we wish to particularly direct the attention of all our readers. We would like to see either its daily or weekly issue in the hands of every Republican in the county. It has done splendid work during the past campaign and will strike powerful and telling blows during the coming year. It is *the* newspaper of the American Continent, and at the low price of subscription no family should do without it. To say nothing of the excellency of the paper itself, the premiums offered present every inducement to new subscribers. Read the prospectus over carefully.

Masonic Election.

At the quarterly communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons, held on Wednesday of last week, in Philadelphia, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Grand Master—Michael Nisbet.
Deputy Grand Master—Sam'l B. Dick.
Senior Grand Warden—Conrad B. Day.
Junior Grand Warden—E. Coppee Mitchell.
Grand Treasurer—Thomas H. Patton.
Grand Secretary—John Thompson.
Trustees of Girard Bequest—Samuel C. Perkins, Geo. Thompson, Chas. M. Provost, Henry C. Howell, Jacob Roberts.
Trustees Grand Lodge Charity Fund—Jacob Landenslager, Geo. Griscom, Daniel Brittain, John Harold and Edward Strickland.

Where Shall I Go?

We can answer the above anxious inquiry in a very few words:

If you are hungry and want a good wholesome dish of oysters, raw, stewed, fried or dished up in any style to suit your taste, go to A. H. Pierce's restaurant, over Wendel's store second square west of Wright House. If you don't care for oysters, and would like a cold lunch, prepared with neatness and dispatch, go to Pierce's Restaurant.

If you are thirsty, and havn't signed the pledge, and feel that a good glass of lager or ale would be just what you want, you will find it at Pierce's Restaurant.

If you are sportively inclined, and would enjoy a little relaxation from business cares and anxieties in a quiet game of Billiards, you will find good tables at Pierce's Billiard room and Restaurant.

If you want a good cigar, and a good place to sit down and enjoy it with the latest papers, go to Pierce's Billiard room and Restaurant.

By strict observance to the above directions you cannot but be reasonably happy and contented.

Recovery of Stolen Goods.

Our readers will recollect the bank robbery that occurred at Wellsboro in 1874, when the officers of the bank were bound and gagged, and a large amount of money and bonds taken. One of the men arrested and convicted of the crime is Mike Walsh, who fluctuates between Waverly and Athens. He is now at liberty. Mr. Nathan Baker, of this city, has been largely influential in negotiating for the return of some bonds stolen on the occasion, a portion of which were the property of the late S. X. Billings. Through a sister of Walsh some ten or twelve thousand dollars in bonds have been recovered; and now comes another part of this interesting story.

Two or three months ago there died at Athens a trackman who had been at the business for many years. Last Friday while his family friends were looking through an old trunk left by him at his death, a large package was found neatly done up. Curiosity, as well as business matters, prompted the opening of the package, when within its folds were found $43,000 in government bonds, which had been stolen from the Wellsboro bank. It is stated that one night when the trackman was engaged in his work, a man approached him requesting him to keep a package (handing it to him) until he should call for it. Not thinking anything of the matter, the trackman took the roll home and put it in his trunk. This is the largest recovery of property stolen at the above robbery that has yet been made.—Elmira *Advertiser.*

—Any party having a surplus of good eating and cooking apples can find sale for a few barrels, for cash, by calling at this office.

Haskill & Gifford.

It should not be an invidious comparison with other business houses of the borough to say that which is unquestionably true, that Haskill & Gifford's is the leading dry goods and general store in Smethport. It always was a popular place of trade, and since the purchase of the store and stock by the present proprietors its former standard of excellence has been more than sustained. Mr. Haskill, who is one of the most solid and substantial property owners of the borough, backs up the firm with his capital and cautious, shrewd good sense. Mr. Gifford is the active business man of the firm. Though a young man, he has been brought up in the business, and thoroughly understands every branch of it. He is a capital buyer, a good salesman, full of business and enterprise, and by his pleasant and honorable treatment of patrons contributes his full share toward the popularity of the concern. Their trade has been continually increasing, and to meet its demands they have recently fitted up the upper story of their building as a gents' clothing room. Mr. Gifford makes frequent trips, to the city, from whence he returned yesterday, to make needed additions to their large stock. They make it a point to keep their stock fully up to the demands of their trade and strive to please and benefit their patrons, thus their growing trade and popularity is not at all surprising.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Smethport High School, for week ending Dec. 5, 1879.

The plan of this Roll is as follows: At the beginning of each week the names of all the students of the High School are placed on this roll. If the *conduct*, the *refinement*, the *self respect*, and general *deportment* of the student have been such as is implied in the word "HONOR," that student is allowed a credit of *one*, for each such day, during the week, which, if perfect every day, will make the standing at the end of the week *five*, which is the highest number any one can obtain on this roll. On the other hand, for every *misdemeanor*, *neglect of duty*, or *violation of self respect*, *one* is deducted, and for *five* such failures the the name is dropped from this roll for the week. At the end of the term a *final roll* will appear, containing the names of those only who obtained the highest honors during the entire term:

Nellie Waller	5	Mary Waller	5
Minnie Caller	5	Ethel Armstrong	5
Erving Korn	5	Harry Knapp	5
Mary Hamlin	5	Ada Brownell	5
Lelia Knapp	5	Orpha Stark	5
J. M. McCrary	5	Willie DeGarmo	5
John Chadwick	4	Rena Richmond	5
Eva Callar	5	Ella Wright	5
Maggie Smith	4	Mary Mullin	5
Libbie Freeman	4	May Mason	5
Levi Tubbs	5	Harry Wagoner	5
Ella Freeman	5	Gertie Hatch	5
Flora Burlingame	3	Marvin S Comes	4
Jennie Haskill	4	Ross McIntosh	4
Aline Hamlin	5	Alfred Kidder	5
Fred Brownell	4	Hattie Tubbs	4
Frank McCarty	5	Clarence Moses	5
Clayton Backus	2	Millie Pattison	3
J. A. Ohls	5	Sarah McNulty	3
Thos. Hungerford	5	J. C. Gallup	3
Mate Sartwell	4	J. B. Keefe	3
		Willie King	3

Have been lowered because of absence.

Our object in this is to raise the standard and dignity of the school. This, we believe, can only be done in proportion as the honor and self respect of students are elevated.

H. H. BARTHOLOMEW, Principal.

A CROOKED AFFAIR.

A CORRY LAWYER TAKEN IN BY A FORMER AT BRADFORD.

Pittsburgh Telegraph.

About two months ago Hon. Manly Crosby, of Corry, went to Bradford to practice law, and, in looking around for a location, he encountered a man named McSweeny, from Elmira, who was around with voluminous letters of introduction and recommendation from that place. McSweeny had rented a suitable room in a fashionable quarter, and stocked it with a choice lot of furniture, which he had obtained on credit through the confidence inspired by the letters patent to character which he exhibited. Ex-Mayor Crosby at once entered into an agreement and partnership with the festive McSweeny, agreeing to pay for half of the furniture, which he did. The next day he discovered certain discrepancies in McSweeny's character which showed to a certainty that he was dishonest. Mr. Crosby was prompt in his action, and, calling him to an interview, said he must "give or take" at once. Accordingly McSweeny sold him the remaining half of the office furniture. Then came a revelation. The goods had all been obtained upon trust and by means of forged notes. McS. had also raised the wind among various parties about the city, borrowing various large sums upon the strength of his papers, which he brought from Elmira, and which contained the signatures of the best and most solid men of that town. Every one of these papers was forged, and the fact being elicited by inquiry, McSweeny at once skipped the country. Information was lodged against him, and Detective Wilmoth followed the adventurer to Chicago, but without being able to catch him. While there the officer got a clue that his man had doubled on him and gone back to Elmira, and he telegraphed to the chief of police of that city to hold him, following himself upon the heels of the message. When he arrived Wilmoth found that the chief had captured the bird, but had a prior claim on account of heavy forgeries which McSweeny had committed in Elmira before his escapade in the Oil Region.

New Time Table.

A new time schedule went into effect on the McK. & B. R. R. on Monday. The first train from Smethport in the morning leaves at 5:48 a. m., arriving at Buffalo 10:45 and at Bradford 8:55. The noon mails arrive and depart at about the same time as before. The schedule is arranged partially in view to accommodate Bradford travel. Trains leaving Bradford at 7.25 and 9.25 a.m. and 1.20 p.m. will make direct connections at Eldred for Smethport arriving at 10.00 a.m., 12.05 and 5.25 p.m. Passengers leaving Bradford by the 7.25 a.m. train will have four hours in Smethport and return same day, arriving at Bradford at 6.25 p.m.

—Both the Wright House and Bennett House will soon present before their guests elegant bran new registers in which to inscribe their names. In the Bennett house register every alternate leaf will be a blotter on which will be printed the advertisements of the enterprising business and professional men of the borough.

DIED.

WERNWAG.—At his residence in Philadelphia, on the evening of the 4th inst., JNO. U. WERNWAG.

LEGAL.

Administrator's Sale.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss:

At an Orphans' Court held at Smethport in and for the county aforesaid on the 2d day of October, A. D. 1879, before Hon. S. F. Wilson, additional law judge and his associates, justices of said court.

On petition of Cortes H. Foster, Administrator of the estate of James D. Matthews, late of said county, deceased, setting forth that no personal estate of said decedent has come to the hands of the administrator and that it is requisite to sell a portion of decedent's real estate to pay his just debts, and that the decedent was indebted at the time of his death in the sum of seven hundred seventy-six and 16-100 dollars with interest from February 13, 1878. He therefore respectfully prays an Order of said Court to authorize a sale by him of the real estate described in this petition.

A full and correct statement of all the real estate of the said James D. Matthews, dec'd, seized of as follows, to wit: All that piece or parcel of land situate in Kendall Borough, county aforesaid, described as follows: Bounded on the North by the public highway; on the northeast by land of Wm. K. Fisher, on the southeast by land of Jane Echo-nover and on the southwest by land of W. K. Fisher and R. T. Lane, containing ten acres more or less.

2. One-half of the grist mill, known as the Bradford mill, formerly owned by Kingsbury & Fisher and described as follows: Beginning at the north corner of land deeded by D. Kingsbury and wife to Elias Lindsey; thence south 20 degrees east 14 22-25 rods more or less to a post; thence north 58½ degrees east 13½ rods more or less to a post on the road; thence by the road south 57¼ degrees west seventeen rods more or less to the place of beginning, containing 1 72-100 acres more or less, situate in the same borough and county as the tract in the petition described.

3. The following described tract of land situate in same borough and county, beginning at a post on the north side of Main road and west side of Mill road; thence north 47 1-4 degrees west most or less, to a post; thence south nine degrees west two rods more or less to a post on the road; thence by the road north 57 1-4 degrees 17½ rods more or less to the place of beginning containing nine-tenths of an acre of land after reserving the lot of land sold by Amos Kingsbury to George Ball, by deed dated November 25, 1865.

And now Oct. 22, 1879, on hearing the within petition, the Court order and decree a sale of the real estate as prayed for and described in within petition to be by public vendue on Saturday, Dec. 20th, A. D. 1879, at two o'clock p. m., upon notice duly advertised as required by law in two newspapers published in said county. Sale to be upon the premises. The order for sale to issue upon filing bond to be approved in the sum of $2500. Terms of sale, one third cash, balance in six months and one year to be secured by bond and mortgage, and make report of his proceedings herein at the next stated Orphans' Court.

Witness my hand and Official Seal, December 4, 1879.

By the Court.
JOHN B. BRAWLEY,
Clerk Orphans' Court.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

The undersigned, an Auditor, appointed by the Court to hear, restate the account generally, in the matter of the administrator's account estate of M. N. Powell, deceased, and report upon the exceptions filed to said report by the firm of Barrett Brothers, and the validity of their Mechanic's Lien, will meet the parties interested for the purposes of his appointment on Thursday, December 11, 1879, at one o'clock p. m., at his office in the borough of Smethport.

17-3 M. N. ORR, Auditor.

Estray Notice.

Came to the premises of the undersigned, on the Vet. Strait farm, near Duke Center, a small red cow, about 6 or 7 years old, with no marks. The owner will come forward and prove property, pay charges and remove her, else she will be sold according to law in such cases made and provide.

J. C. PLATT.

Duke Centre, Dec. 1, 1879.—3-5 pd.

Notice.

IN THE COURT OF OYER AND TERMINER of the county of McKean. No. 1, December Term, 1879. Commonwealth vs. Andrew Tracy.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, } (ss
McKean County, }

Be it remembered that on this fourth day of December, 1879, before me, John B. Brawley, Clerk of the Court of Oyer and Terminer of said county, personally came Roswell Sartwell, Esq., High Sheriff of the county of McKean, who having been by me duly sworn, doth depose and say that on this fourth day of December, 1879, he proceeded to execute the sentence of the court upon the said Andrew Tracy, within the walls of the jail of the county of McKean at the time designated by the death warrant of the Governor, and in the manner described by the 76th section of the Act of the general assembly of this Commonwealth, approved March 31, 1860, and further saith not.

E. SARTWELL, Sheriff.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 5th day of December, A. D. 1879.

JOHN B. BRAWLEY, Clerk.

New Advertisements.

THE ELMIRA WEEKLY

ADVERTISER

FOR 1880.

The publishers of the Weekly Advertiser have reduced the price of their paper from $2.00 to

$1.25 A YEAR

IN CLUBS OF FIVE.

Single Subscriptions, - $1.50

Or 85 Cents for Six Months.

On the 1st day of January next the Paper will be issued in a 16 page form and will contain

64 COLUMNS OF MATTER!

Making three thousand three hundred and seventy-eight columns of reading matter for ONE DOLLAR AND TWENTY-FIVE CENTS.

One copy of the paper will be sent

FREE

to any person sending us a club of Five names accompanied by the cash.

All remittances must be by P. O. Order or Registered Letter.

Address,

Elmira Advertiser Association,

ELMIRA, N. Y.

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McKEAN COUNTY

BONDS

$50,000.

Sealed Proposals will be received by the Commissioners of McKean County for the purchase of County Bonds to the amount of $50,000. These Bonds are issued in denominations of $5,000, $2,000, $1,000, $500 and $100, with interest at 6 per cent. payable semi-annually on the first days of January and July of each year, and will mature as follows:

$2,000, *January 1, 1881.*
$2,500, *January 1, 1882.*
$12,000, *July 1, 1882.*
$2,500, *January 1, 1883.*
$3,000, *January 1, 1884.*
$12,000, *July 1, 1884.*
$2,000, *January 1, 1885.*
$2,000, *January, 1, 1886.*
$12,000, *July 1, 1886.*

They will be issued in amounts of $10,000 monthly, or more if the Commissioners deem it necessary. And will be sold to the highest premium bidder. Said proposals will be opened on the 24th of December at 2 o'clock, p.m., in the Commissioners office.

W. J. COLEGROVE, } *Co. Commr's.*
J. G. BOYER, } of
N. W. ABBEY. } *M'Kean Co.*

Attest:

H. F. BARBOUR, *Clerk.*

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

GRAND

HOLIDAY OPENING

R. O. SMITH & CO.

HAVE the pleasure to announce the completion of their extensive addition, and to call the attention of their patrons, to their elegant lines of

HOLIDAY GOODS

NOW on exhibition in every Department of their store. With our greatly increased facilities we have added many new lines of goods especially adapted to

HOLIDAY TRADE.

WHILE showing novelties all through the store we would call special attention to our

THIRD CENTRE COUNTER.

THIS will be entirely devoted to a display of

ELEGANT NOVELTIES,

CONSISTING in part of

ELEGANT VIENNA BRONZE JEWEL CASES,
ODOR STANDS AND CASES,
SMOKING SETTS, CANDLE STICKS,
JARDINERES, DECORATED CHINA VASES,
ANTIQUE POTTERY.

A Large assortment of

LACQUER WARE, FANCY WILLOW WARE,
TOILET SETTS,
Of All Descriptions,

FANCY COLLAR AND CUFF BOXES, &c., &c,

WE will also add a special

5 and 25 Cent Counters

OF

HOLIDAY GOODS.

SPECIAL attention is called to our lines of

ELEGANT

DRESS GOODS AND TRIMMINGS

NOW on exhibition in our new addition. Also to a fine line of

CLOAKS, SHAWLS AND FURS

NOW being shown in a separate Department.

OUR CARPET DEPARTMENT

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